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0. Introduction

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0.1. Inventory of the Segmental Phonemes

The Vowel Phonemes: / i, ê, a, â, ô, u, ə /

The Consonant Phonemes:

Stops: /p, b, t, d, ɬ, ɖ, k, g /

Fricatives: /s, z, š, ž, ʃ, ʒ, x, ɣ /

Affricates: /c, j/

Liquids: /l, r, ɾ/

Nasals : /m, n, ŋ/

Glottals : /h, ' /

Learned Phonemes : /f, q, h/

1. Gender There are two grammatical genders in Pashto--masculine and feminine. Genders are determined by meaning and form.

A. Meaning: lâlâ 'elder brother' plâr 'father'
xôr 'sister' môr 'mother'

B. Form :

B.1. Masculine All nouns ending in a consonant in the singular, including /y/ as in /ay/ and /əy/, or in /u/ are masculine.

kôr 'house' kələy 'village' largay 'wood'
dâru 'medicine' bânû 'eyelash' sôy 'hare'

Exceptions:

zrə 'heart' psə 'sheep' wêštə 'hair'

B.2. Feminine All nouns ending in a vowel such as /a/, /ə/, /i/, /ei/, /â/, /ê/, /ô/ in the singular are feminine.

šadza 'woman' pašto 'Pashto' badi 'feud'
šâ 'tha back' zangô 'cradle' šambê 'Saturday'
mdzəka 'earth, ground' cârə 'knife'

Exceptions:

břestən 'cotton blanket' tsərmən 'leather'
stən 'needle' təršədz 'seam of a dress'
lâr 'road, way' ləmə 'hem' mēcən 'flour mill'
lwêšt 'span' miâšt 'month' mřədz 'quail'
mangwəl 'claw' pəltən 'military unit'
wradz 'day' 'uriadz 'cloud' žmundz 'comb'
tsəngəl 'elbow'

2. Number Nouns have two numbers--singular and plural.

Pluralia tantum Some nouns that designate liquids, material, granular substance, and the like, usually occur in the plural.

Masculine:

cars 'hashish' kuci 'butter' teryâk 'opium'
šarâb 'liquor' tambaku 'tobacco' srəp 'lead, metal'
zar 'gold' mis 'copper' 'urbəši 'barley'
'ôrə 'flour' taratêzak 'water-cress' jas 'zinc'
šaršam 'mustard'

Feminine:

warəi 'wool' cây 'tea' šidê 'milk'
pəi 'human milk'

3. Case Nouns have four cases--Absolute Case, Oblique Case I, Oblique Case II and Vocative Case

4. Classification Nouns can be subdivided according to their plural formation into five masculine and six feminine sub-classes.

Examples:

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|-------|--|------------------------------|-----------|
| m 1 | kôr 'house' | zrə 'heart' | Inanimate |
| m 2 | mâr 'snake' | dôst 'friend' | Animate |
| | Cf. suk 'fist' | tâlu 'palate' | |
| m 3 | saɾay 'man, human being' | largay 'wood' | |
| m 4 | məlgərəy 'friend' | səžəy 'lungs' | |
| m 5 a | malax pl. maləx 'locust' | mardak pl. mardək 'ball' | |
| | ṭôpak ṭôpək 'musket' | taltak pl. taltək 'coverlet' | |
| | xaṭak pl. xaṭək 'a kind of black beetle' | | |
| | Cf. pal pl. paluna 'sole of foot' | | |
| | cal pl. caluna 'deceit' | | |
| b | xar pl. xrə 'donkey' | | |
| c | paštun pl. paštənə 'Pashtoon' | | |
| d | zuy pl. zāmən 'son' | vrôr pl. vruna 'brother' | |
| | vrârə pl. vrêruna 'nephew' | | |
| f 1 | šədzə, pl. šədzi 'woman' | Stressed /a/ | |
| f 2 | pša pl. pšê 'foot' | Unstressed /a/ | |
| f 3 | šâ, pl. šâwi 'the back' | zangô 'cradle' | |
| f 4 | hagəi pl. hagəi 'egg' | puštəi pl. puštəi 'the ribs' | |
| | dôḏəi pl. dôḏəi 'bread' | Inanimate | |
| f 5 | budəi pl. budəigâni 'old woman' | Animate | |
| | dôbəi pl. dobəigâni 'laundress' | | |
| f 6 | môr pl. mandi 'mother' | xôr pl. xwəndi 'sister' | |

Nouns belonging to the classes m 5 and f 6 are kinship terms. These classes are unproductive.

Summary of Pashto Nouns

Class	Singular				Plural			
	Absolute	Oblique I	Oblique II	Vocative	Absolute	Oblique		
m 1	kôr	kôr	kôra	kôra	kôruna	kôrô	'house'	
m 2	mâr	mâr	mâra	mâra	mârân	mârânu	'snake'	
m 3	laɣay	laɣi	laɣaya	laɣaya	laɣi	laɣeyu	'wood'	
m 4	məlɣerey	məlɣeri		məlɣerê	məlɣeri	məlɣeru	'friend'	
m 5	malax	maləx	maləxa	maləxa	maləx	maləxu	'locust'	
b	xar	xrə		xara	xrə	xrô	'donkey'	
c	paštun	paštânə	paštuna	paštuna	paštânə	paštânô	'Pashtoon'	
d	zuy	zuy	zuya	zuya	zâmen	zâmenu	'son'	
f 1	şedza	şedzi			şedzi	şedzu	'woman'	
f 2	pşa	pşê			pşê	pşô	'foot'	
f 3	şâ	şâwi			şâwi	şâwu	'the back'	
f 4	dôdei	dôdei			dôdei	dôdeyu	'bread'	
f 5	hiləi	hiləi			hileigāni	hileigānu	'duck'	
f 6	môr	môr	môra	môri	mandi	mandu	'mother'	